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Request for Waiver CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21 Funding Year 07/01/2001 – 06/30/2002 Form 471 Application Number 224199 Funding Request Number **5**15976 RECEIVED & INSPECTED

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Funding Commitment Decision \$6,240.00

Reimbursement Request Decision Explanation: Invoice after last day for Fund Year.

Basis for Request for Waiver

This funding request, 515976, is for long distance services from Broadwing Telecommunications, SPIN number 143004042. Due to the requirement of obtaining a third party signature on the Form 472, the form and supporting documentation was faxed November 27,2002. Attached is exhibit number 1, *our* fax confirmation. The signed Block 4 Service Provider Acknowledgement was returned January 3,2003 as indicated in exhibit number 2. Despite numerous phone calls to the vendor, the form was dated and returned after the allowable last day of December 6,2002 for funding year, which is the reason given for denial. The requirement of this signature and the lack of promptness of the vendor should not be a basis for denial of an approved funding commitment decision. New Castle Community School Corporation is requesting the Schools and Libraries Division be instructed to release the \$487.38 requested November 27, 2002. New Castle Schools is showing good cause. Therefore a waiver is appropriate because of special circumstances warranting a deviation from the general rule and such deviation will serve the public interest.

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